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C O N F I D E N T I A L JIDDA 5749

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MNUC, PK, FR, SA  
SUBJECT: NUCLEAR FUEL REPROCESSING: APPROACH TO SAUDI  
ARABIAN GOVERNMENT

REF: STATE 178136

1. ON AUG 17 DCM CONVEYED CONTENTS PARA 8 REFTTEL TO FOREIGN MINISTRY DEPUTY MINISTER FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, ABDUL RAHMAN AL MANSOURI. IN REPLY MANSOURI SAID THAT HE HAD RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A LENGTHY VACATION IN EUROPE AND WAS NOT FULLY UP TO DATE ON SAG'S CURRENT THINKING. HIS INITIAL REACTION, HOWEVER, WAS THAT PAKISTAN TENDS TO FRAME MUCH OF ITS FOREIGN POLICY IN THE LIGHT OF ITS RELATIONS WITH INDIA. AS WE ALL KNEW, INDIA HAD MANAGED TO ACQUIRE A SMALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS CAPABILITY AND HE WAS THEREFORE NOT SUPRISED THAT PAKISTAN WISHED TO DO THE SAME.

2. DCM REPLIED THAT THE UNRESTRAINED DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS CAPABILITIES BY A NUMBER OF THE WORLD'S NATIONS WOULD DETRACT RATHER THAN ADD TO  
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THE SECURITY OF EVERYONE. USG BELIEVED STRONGLY IN LIMITING THIS PROLIFERATION. PAKISTAN COULD UNDOUBTEDLY FIND SAFER AND MORE EFFECTIVE WAYS OF PROVIDING FOR ITS SECURITY AGAINST INDIA THAN IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

3. MANSOURI DID NOT ARGUE THIS POINT BUT ONLY NOTED

THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO RESTRAIN PAKISTAN'S  
INTEREST IN NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN LIGHT OF THE FACT  
THAT INDIA ALREADY HAD DEVELOPED SUCH A CAPABILITY.  
MANSOURI PROMISED TO REPLY FURTHER TO OUR DEMARCH  
AFTER HE HAD HAD TIME TO BRING HIMSELF UP TO DATE  
FOLLOWING HIS RETURN FROM HIS VACATION.  
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